

county clerk, for the erection of a highway bridge on pile foundation, with masonry abutments and steel superstructure, and having 50 foot span and 16 foot roadway. —The city clerk is receiving tenders for the construction of sewers on Hannah, Bay, Murray, George and Locke streets. —The Canadian Pacific Railway Company have purchased the two blocks bounded by Wellington, Yonge, Maria and Ferguson streets, and will shortly erect thereon a freight station. —The car wheel works in this city have been leased by a private corporation, the principal members of which are Mr. Griffin, of the St. Thomas Car Wheel Works, and Mr. Drummond, of the Montreal Car Wheel Company. It is the intention of the new company to immediately enlarge the works. —The city engineer is preparing specifications for sewer pipes, tenders for which will shortly be invited. —Wm. & Walter Stewart, architects, have taken out a permit for additions to G. H. Bisby's house on Hannah street east, to cost \$1,000. —Dr. Smith, of Windsor, was recently in the city and explained to the Sewers Committee the advantages of a sewage disposal plan known as the Candy continuous tank system. A set of tanks to handle 2,000,000 gallons of sewerage would cost \$75,000. —At a recent meeting of Barton township council it was resolved to erect a new school building for East Hamilton. —The city will probably purchase a road roller. A Buffalo firm has offered to deliver a 12-ton roller for \$3,750. —The city council has decided to lay an asphalt pavement on the market square, from Macnab to James streets, at a cost of \$5,544. The city engineer has recommended that Macnab street, from King to Merrick streets, be paved with vitrified brick, at an estimated cost of \$5,152, but a majority of the members of the Board of Works prefer macadam to brick.

TORONTO, ONT.—A. R. Denison, architect, is preparing plans for a new building for the John Eaton Company to be erected on the site of the burned structure at the corner of Temperance and Yonge streets. The building will be four storeys, with a two storey shop front and two large flats above, and plate glass extending around on Temperance street for 70 feet. It will be ventilated by the fan system, heated by the single pipe process, and lighted by a private electric light plant to be placed on the premises. The estimated cost is \$60,000. —The Canadian Bank of Commerce contemplate extending the head office building on King street. The plans are being prepared by Messrs. Smith & Gemmell, architects, and provide for the extension of the building to Melinda street, to be finished in the same style as the King street front. —The Standard Oil Company, of Oswego, N. Y., have leased property near the foot of Berkeley street on which it is proposed to erect a large building. —In reply to a question by Mr. Clarke regarding the intention of the Dominion Government to protect the western end of Toronto Island, the Minister of Public Works stated that the department had not yet reached a decision in the matter, but he realized that something should be done. It is estimated that about \$80,000 will be required to complete the work at the eastern entrance. —Tenders are asked by the city until to-day (Thursday) for the supply of 30,000 square yards of sod. —The city engineer has recommended the construction of a cedar block pavement on Walmer road, from Bloor street to Lowther avenue, a brick pavement on Wilcox street, from Spadina to Robert, and from Huron to St. George streets, and an asphalt pavement on Wilcox street, from Huron to Spadina avenue. The ratepayers on the south side of Front street, between Scott and Yonge streets, have petitioned for a granolithic sidewalk. —It is rumoured that Messrs. Seigel, Cooper & Co., of New York, will open a large departmental store in this city, in

which case it is probable a building suitable for their purposes will be erected. —A permanent pavement will be constructed on Gerrard street east, from Pape ave. to Leslie street.

FIRES.

W. A. Simpson's planing mill at 314 Queen street west, Toronto, was completely consumed by fire on the 24th inst. The damage is about \$12,000. —The John Eaton departmental store, corner Yonge and Temperance streets, Toronto, was totally destroyed by fire on Thursday of last week. —D. Hibner & Co.'s furniture factory at Berlin, Ont., was damaged by fire recently to the extent of \$1,000. —Clayton & Son's large clothing factory, on Barrington street, Halifax, N. S., was completely destroyed by fire on Saturday last; loss \$100,000. The building was valued at \$35,000, and was insured for \$18,000.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

GUELPH, ONT.—The tender of John M. Bond & Co., for the supply of lead pipe, etc., has been accepted.

CHATHAM, ONT.—The tender of the Silica Barytic Stone Company, of Ingersoll, for stone sidewalks has been accepted.

RENFREW, ONT.—The contract for building a rectory for St. Paul's church has been awarded to George Thacker, at \$1,825.

OTTAWA, ONT.—George O'Reilly has received tenders for the erection of a cold storage warehouse, to cost \$13,000. The name of the successful contractor has not yet been given.

WINDSOR, ONT.—The contract for supplying water pipes has been let to the Gartshore-Thomson Pipe Co., of Hamilton. The contract calls for 300 tons of pipe, the tender being \$26.00 per ton.

NEW GLASGOW, N.S.—The Chapel bridge at Acadia Mines is being replaced

by an iron structure, which is being built by W. P. McNeil, of this place, the iron being furnished by the Londonderry Iron Company, of Londonderry.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Tenders for macadamizing have been accepted as follows: Tache street and Rosslyn road, Kelly Bros., \$11,085; Hargrave street, \$11,370, and York avenue \$5,423.00, same contractors; Fonseca avenue, \$2,200, Doidge & Co.

DOBBINTON, ONT.—Tenders for Chesley bridge were received as follows: Masonry, quarry stone, \$9.85, \$9.00, \$8.65, \$8.50 and \$7.75 per cubic yard. Hunter Bros., of Kincardine, were awarded the contract. There were three tenders for the steel superstructure. For one span, 140 feet, the prices were: \$2,504.00, \$2,350.00 and \$1,795.00; and for the two spans, of 70 feet each, \$2,026.00, \$1,680.00 and \$1,200.00. For sidewalks the prices were: \$330.00, \$300.00 and \$250.00. Hunter Bros., of Kincardine, also received these contracts.

TORONTO, ONT.—Mr. F. H. Herbert, architect, has accepted the following tenders for building the Dineen building, at the north-west corner of Temperance and Yonge streets: Masonry and brick-work, Wickett Bros.; carpentry, Young & Co.; carving, Holbrook & Mollington; painting, M. O'Connor; iron and copper and metal ceilings, A. B. Ormsby & Co.; heating and plumbing, Bennett & Wright Co.; concrete and sidewalks, R. Gardiner & Co.; roofing, R. Rennie & Sons; prism lights, Luxfer Prism Co.; ornamental iron work, Toronto Fence & Ornamental Iron Works Co.

TENDERS BY CONTRACTORS.

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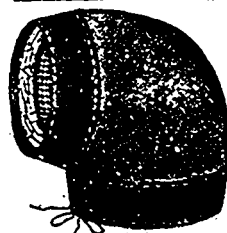
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